



## **EXECUTIVE ORDER: 2018-07**

When officer-involved shootings occur, accountability to the public and the safety of officers are our primary concerns. JPD has a long-standing practice of not releasing the names of officers involved in shootings during the performance of their duties. This practice was designed to ensure the safety of officers and their families and to enable the department to efficiently conduct its investigation of the incident. We recognize, however, that this practice can be difficult for victims and their loved ones, and the absence of transparency contributes to strained relationships between the police and the community. In an effort to promote transparency and build better relationships between the police and the communities they serve, Mayor Chokwe Antar Lumumba established a Police Identification Task Force composed of citizens, officers, and members of his administration who were charged with establishing policy sensitive to community concerns and the unique responsibilities and safety of law enforcement. After due consideration, Mayor Lumumba is accepting the recommendations of the Police Identification Task Force as listed below:

- 1) The Jackson Police Department public information officer, or designee, will coordinate the release of information related to officer-involved shootings as approved by the chief of police or designee.
- 2) After the immediate family of the injured or deceased civilian has been informed, JPD will expeditiously issue a public statement to inform the public of the investigatory timeline and process.
- 3) JPD will not publicly release any potential criminal history of the involved civilian not relevant to the alleged incident.
- 4) Within 72 hours of an OIS, JPD will release the names of any officers who discharged a firearm, absent exigent circumstances such as a credible threat to the individual officer.
- 5) Within 72 hours of an OIS, JPD will release video that provides a general overview of what occurred, if any such video has been identified and authenticated. This shall only happen after the immediate family of the injured or deceased civilian has been informed and allowed to review the video. (exception: video will not be released to the public if such video compromises any ongoing investigation.)

6) All information is presumptively releasable at the conclusion of an investigation.

**NOW THEREFORE**, I, Chokwe Antar Lumumba, Mayor of the City of Jackson, Mississippi do hereby accept the recommendations of the Police ID Task Force and mandates that the policy of Jackson Police Department regarding officer involved shootings be revised to reflect these changes.

**WITNESS MY HAND**, on this 2nd the day of November, 2018.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Chokwe A. Lumumba', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Chokwe A. Lumumba  
Mayor